

# CO-OP STUDENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY



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The Galiano Conservancy Association seeks a highly motivated individual for the position of *Conservation Technician*. This position is a 16-week full-time internship that offers engaging work and an opportunity to gain career skills in the beautiful setting of Galiano Island from January to April, 2018.

Start date: Early January, 2018

Wage: \$16.00/hour

Hours: 35/week (full-time)

Location: Student responsible for finding accommodation on Galiano Island.

As Conservation Technician, you will support a variety of conservation, outreach and communications activities of the Galiano Conservancy for 4 months. This position is diverse and exciting. You will be able to work with several key staff members of the organization, learn from them and play a key role in enabling community outreach events, conservation and restoration monitoring activities, and more.

Activities will include many of the following:

- Propagation and care for native plants
- Removal of invasive exotic vegetation from protected areas
- Monitoring ecological responses to restoration activities
- Assisting with trail building
- Assisting with Species at Risk monitoring and inventory programs (focus on marine)
- Public outreach regarding environmental protection and stewardship,
- Writing outreach articles in the local community magazine
- Participating as a resource person for environmental education programs

You will gain skills and experience in most, if not all, the following areas:

- Training in field data collection
- Ability to use a Global Positioning System for mapping, navigation and data collection
- Ability to identify native and exotic plants, including species at risk
- Training in the propagation of native plants in a nursery
- Training in mapping and data analysis using GIS (ArcMap)
- Ability to plan and carry out ecological restoration projects
- Understanding of the effects of recreational activities on ecosystems
- Experience conducting in-depth research and literature review
- Experience working in remote and rugged field conditions
- Experience in public relations including personal communication at local public events, oral presentation, and written media

### Requirements:

This position will require physical, social, and intellectual work. The candidate must demonstrate a capacity for leadership, being self-motivated and organized, the ability to work as part of a team, and a willingness to learn and engage themselves in hard work. Applicants must be prepared to move to Galiano for the term, occasionally spend long hours outside doing physical labour, and be available for work on some weekends. The applicant must have current Standard First Aid, or be willing to obtain it before coming to Galiano. Full time position is pending funding from Eco Canada Co-op Program. Applicants must be eligible to work in Canada, full-time students in a post-secondary institution, between the ages of 15-30. For participation in environmental education programs, a criminal record check will be required, and will be arranged upon arrival.

### Assets:

Students with a connection to Galiano will be given preference. A background in Environmental Studies, Biology, Geography, Restoration of Natural Systems, Conservation, Forestry, Environmental Education or other complimentary field is desirable. Direct experience in any of the skills mentioned for this position, particularly a demonstrated capacity for working in remote field conditions, is an asset. A class 5 driver's license and a vehicle are strong assets.

### To Apply Via UVic Co-op:

Send in a cover letter and resume to Helen Kobrc [hkobrc@uvic.ca](mailto:hkobrc@uvic.ca) by October 1, 2017 4:00pm PST.

For specific job-related inquiries, please contact Jenna Falk at [development@galianoconservancy.ca](mailto:development@galianoconservancy.ca)

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